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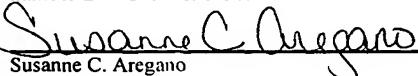
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Title: METERING TIP WITH INTERNAL FEATURES TO CONTROL FLUID
MENISCUS AND OSCILLATION

1. Papers enclosed

A. Required for filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) are:

9 Page(s) of Specification
1 Page(s) of Claims
1 Page(s) of Abstract
3 Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-12)

B. Other Papers Enclosed

A Preliminary Amendment
 A combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
 An Assignment Transmittal and Assignment of the invention to
Ortho-Clinical Diagnostics, Inc.

2. Additional Papers to Follow Under Separate Cover

An Information Disclosure Statement
 PTO Form-1449

3. Relate Back

Priority of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/398,918, filed July 26, 2002, is
hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).

3. Prior to examination of the above-identified application, amend the specification at Page 1, after the title, by inserting the following:

--Cross Reference to Related Application

This application claims priority under 35 USC 119(e) upon provisional Patent Application No. 60/398,918, filed July 26, 2002 and entitled: Metering Tip With Internal Features To Control Fluid Meniscus and Oscillation, the entire contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.--

4. Small Entity Status

Applicant claims small entity status. (See 37 CFR 1.27)

5. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

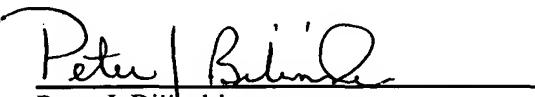
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6. Payment of Fees and Authorization to Charge Additional Fees or Credit Overpayment

- A check in the amount of \$790.00 is enclosed.
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- Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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